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Applicant: Chan, *et al.* July 2, 2002
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2002 (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicants desire to reply as follows.

An Extension of Time petition for a three month extension of time, authorizing that any fees required by this paper be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2570 is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment to said deposit account.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Page 3, line 3: Delete "US5162508" and insert therefor --U.S.

5,162,508--;

Page 11, line 12: Delete "DTPAA" and insert therefor --DTPA--; and

Page 11, line 32: Delete "aqueos" and insert therefor --aqueous--.

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